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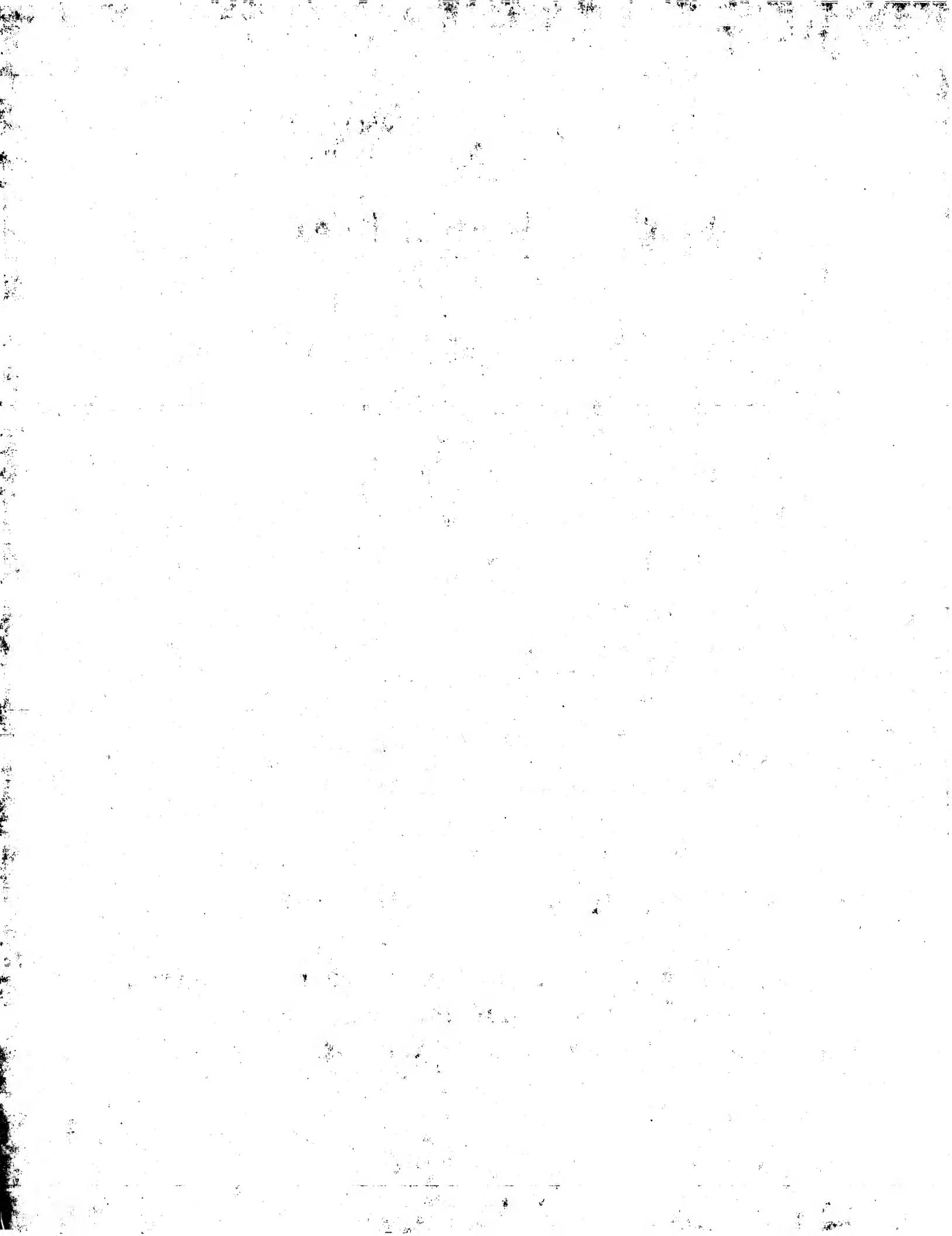
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㉑ Fingerprint minutiae matcher.

㉒ A machine or process for comparing fingerprints based on the correspondence between fingerspring minutiae.

The pattern of minutiae in an unknown or search fingerprint is rotated and translated to obtain approximate registration with the pattern of minutiae in a known on file fingerprint. Following rotation and translation, only those search and file fingerprints that exhibit a sufficient number of mating minutiae between the fingerprints are compared further.

For each pair of mating search and file minutiae, the neighboring mating minutiae are compared and an individual minutia "match score" is determined based on the degree of correspondence between the other mating pairs of minutiae within a specified neighborhood of the individual pair of mating search and file minutiae. The individual "match scores" for each of the mating minutiae are summed to yield a total score that is indicative of the correspondence between the search and the file fingerprints.

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FINGERPRINT MINUTIAE MATCHER

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

A fingerprint can be characterized by the locations and angular orientations of the ridge endings and ridge bifurcations within the fingerprint which data are referred to in this specification as "minutiae". Machines for the detection and listing of fingerprint minutiae are described in a number of U.S. Patents, including Nos. 3,611,290; 3,699,419; 4,083,035; and 4,151,512.

This invention pertains to processes and machines for the automatic comparison of one fingerprint, referred to here as the "search" fingerprint with another fingerprint, referred to as the "file" fingerprint, to determine if the two prints were made by the same finger.

A minutia pattern matcher invented by Riganati and Vitols is described in U.S. Patent No. 4,135,147. The present invention is closely related to the minutia pattern matcher invented by Riganati and Vitols. U. S. Patent No. 4,135,147 describes, in some detail, the prior art and the background to which both this invention and the minutiae pattern matcher pertain.

The minutia pattern matcher of Riganati and Vitols generates a "relative information vector" ("RIV") for each minutia in the unidentified ("search") fingerprint, which RIV is a detailed description of a minutia's immediate neighborhood of nearly surrounding minutiae. The matcher compares each RIV in the search print with each RIV in the known ("file") print and generates a match score for each comparison (see Cols. 8-12 of U.S. Patent No. 4,135,147). By means of a histogram, the matcher makes a global comparison of the individual matches and generates a "final score" which indicates, quantitatively, how closely the search print compares with the file print (see Col. 12 of U. S. Patent No. 4,135,147). Because the minutia pattern matcher compares each RIV in the search print with each RIV in the file print, the process involves a significant amount of effort.

The present invention significantly reduces the effort expended in the comparison, first, by performing a preliminary comparison of search and file minutiae on a global basis in order to reject file prints which bear little resemblance to the search print (to give a "quick out") and, second, by, in effect, comparing each search RIV with only a single,

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mating file RIV. The details of the present process also differ from those of the minutia pattern matcher.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

This invention is a machine or process that compares or "matches" fingerprint minutia patterns. The result of this matching process is a match score which is a measure of the similarity of the two minutia patterns, with a high match score indicating a high degree of similarity. The machine of this invention is a general purpose computer, such as the IBM 7090, that has been programmed in accord with this specification.

The inputs to the machine are (1) the minutia data for the fingerprints being matched (one print is designated the search print, the other the file print), which minutia data consist of the locations (x, y) and angular orientations (θ) of the minutiae, and (2) a set of machine operating parameters. The minutia data are ordered in a θ in a lowest to highest values of θ . Tables 1(a) and 9(b) show an example of minutia data in tabular form (the format in which the computer stores and uses the data), and Figures 1A, B and C are plots of such data.

The object of the invention is to measure the similarity between two minutia patterns, such as those shown in Figures 1A and 1B. A high degree of similarity exists between the patterns in Figures 1A and 1B, as is shown in the superimposed patterns of Figure 1C where the search minutia of Figure 1A have been rotated by an angle α and translated in X an amount X_T and in Y an amount Y_T , and then superimposed on the file pattern.

One measure of similarity is the number of corresponding minutiae. To determine this number, one can think of a small box being drawn around each search minutia as shown in Figure 2A. If there is a file minutia within the box which also has the minutia angle close to the search minutia angle (say, within 25°), then the two minutiae are said to correspond, or to be mates. Figures 2A, B and C illustrate several cases of mating, non-mating, and multiple mating minutia pairs. There are 13 corresponding or mating minutia pairs in Figure 1C. This number of mating minutiae, designated M_M , is used as a preliminary measure of similarity.

If M_M is sufficiently high, a score is computed for each search minutia based on the number of neighboring search minutiae (up to some number such as eight) that also have a mating file minutia, and on the degree of correspondence between the neighboring, mating file and search minutia. The match score for the entire fingerprint is the sum of the scores for each search minutia.

If the number of mating minutiae, M_M , is not greater than some specified threshold, the file print is considered to be unrelated to the search print and the fingerprints are not compared further.

Table 1 gives a listing of all the major steps in the comparison or matching process. A more detailed functional description of each of these steps is given in the following sections.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figures 1A and 1B are examples of search and file minutiae respectively;

Figure 1C shows the search minutiae of Figure 1A rotated and superimposed on the file minutiae in Figure 1B;

Figures 2A, B and C show examples of mating and non-mating pairs of minutiae;

Figure 3 shows the search minutiae of Figure 1A with each minutiae numbered;

Figures 4A and 4B contain a second example of search and file minutia patterns;

Figure 5 is a two-dimensional histogram for the example in Figures 4A and 4B;

Figure 6 is a flow diagram of the logic used to compare the search and file minutiae;

Figure 7 contains an example of overlaid plots of search and file minutiae;

Figure 8 is a logic flow diagram illustrating the detailed logic for processing the NHIT list of Table 8; and

Figure 9 is a flow diagram illustrating the minutia pairing logic.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

1.0 PREPARATION OF SEARCH MINUTIA DATA

In a typical application of the invention, a single search fingerprint is compared against many file fingerprints. Certain computations, involving the initial search minutia data only, are done only once at the beginning of the series of comparisons.

1.1 SORT INTO ANGLE ORDER

To decrease the computation time, the search minutiae are sorted, based on their angle, in ascending order as shown in Table 1. If the minutiae are already sorted with respect to θ , this step is skipped.

1.2 FIND CLOSEST NEIGHBORS

Since the scoring for each pair of mating minutiae is dependent on the number of neighbors that also have mates, the N_N nearest neighbors for each search minutia must be defined. The number N_N is a match parameter selected by the machine operator and is typically chosen to be in the range of 6 to 12. The "nearness" measure is the sum of the absolute values of the differences in the X and Y coordinates between two minutiae. Such a measure is easily computed and results in a diamond shaped neighborhood area. Figure 3 shows the search minutiae of Figure 1A with each minutia numbered. Table 3 lists the nearest eight neighbors for some of the search minutiae. The nearest neighbors for each minutia are determined by computing the distance from each minutia to all other minutiae and selecting the N_N closest minutia as the nearest neighbors.

1.3 ROTATE SEARCH MINUTIAE FOR EACH ANGULAR POSITION

Since the X, Y, θ minutia values for the search and for the file fingerprints initially are not located with respect to a unique coordinate system, it usually is necessary to rotate one of the minutia patterns with respect to the other to properly align the matching fingerprints, as illustrated, for example, in Figure 1C. There appears to be no straightforward method of computing a best rotation based on some criteria such as

a least-squared-error fit. Accordingly, in this process, the search minutiae are rotated through a series of preselected angles and these rotated sets of minutiae are stored. In the matching process, each set of rotated search minutiae are compared with the file print and the set which gives the best match (as measured by the number of paired minutiae) is used in computing the match score for the pair of prints being compared.

In the preferred embodiment, a discrete set of rotations, N_R , spaced 5.6 degrees apart are used in the matching process. A set of ten such rotations covers a range of ± 28 degrees and normally is sufficient to allow for variations in fingerprint orientation. The number of rotations, N_R , is a match parameter specified by the operator, and can be made as large as desired in order to accommodate larger uncertainties in print orientation. Since a larger number of rotations would require more comparisons, it is desirable to use as small a value of N_R as practicable.

Functionally, the rotated X and Y minutia values are computed by the matrix equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_R \\ Y_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\alpha & \sin\alpha \\ \sin\alpha & \cos\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_S \\ Y_S \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Where X_R, Y_R are the rotated minutia values, X_S, Y_S are the initial search minutia values, and α is the rotation angle. In order to use only integer computations and to avoid using sine and cosine functions, the following approximations are used for the sine and cosine computations:

$$\cos\alpha = 1 - 32/CDIV(N) \quad (2)$$

$$\sin\alpha = 32/SDIV(N) \quad (3)$$

The $CDIV(N)$ and $SDIV(N)$ functions are represented by integer tables which have values for each N corresponding to discrete values of α . Values of $CDIV(N)$ and $SDIV(N)$ are computed from the inverse of the above equations and have the form

$$CDIV(N) = \frac{32}{1 - \cos\alpha} \quad (4)$$

$$SDIV(N) = \frac{32}{\sin\alpha} \quad (5)$$

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where N has values $1, 2, \dots, N_{RT}$,

α has values $(-N_{RT}+1)(5.6^\circ), (-N_{RT}+3)(5.6^\circ), (-N_{RT}+5)(5.6^\circ), \dots, (-N_{RT}+2N_R-3)(5.6^\circ), (-N_{RT}+2N_R-1)(5.6^\circ)$

and N_{RT} is the total number of rotations permissible and is an even integer.

The values of θ for each rotation can be obtained simply by adding an angle to each θ value equal to the rotation α defined above. This addition, however, is performed later in the matching process, thus avoiding the creation of an additional array of rotated values for θ .

In order to minimize the computational errors in the rotation calculations, the search minutiae are initially centered over the origin. The rotation computations then are performed for the translated data set, and the rotated minutia sets then are retranslated to the first quadrant so that all X and Y values for the minutiae are positive.

2.0 PREPARATION OF FILE MINUTIA DATA

Very little preparation of the file print minutia data is necessary or desirable since these computations need to be performed for each file fingerprint with which the search print is compared. The file data are arranged in order with respect to θ and the minimum and maximum minutia X and Y values are determined for the file print, but these calculations need be done only once for each file print for instance, at the time the file print data is added to the data base. A simple computation also can be done at the time the file print is added to the data base to determine the quantization parameters for use with the histograms described in the next section.

3.0 PRINT REGISTRATION

Print registration or orientation matching requires the determination of the best angular rotation and the X and Y offsets or translation that are necessary to superimpose the search minutia pattern upon the file minutia pattern. This task is accomplished by constructing for each of the N_R rotations of the search minutia pattern, a two dimensional histogram of the displacements in X and Y needed to overlay each search minutia with each file minutia for which the values of θ differ by less

than some threshold, which threshold is a matching parameter selected by the operator. If the computed displacements for a pair of search and file minutiae are greater than some specified threshold, this minutia pair is omitted from the histogram. An example of such a pair of minutia would be one near the top of one print and the other near the bottom of the other print. Such minutiae would not represent mating pairs. A large peak in the histogram indicates a large number of mating minutia pairs, and the coordinates of that peak give the X and Y offsets needed to give the best line up of the two minutia patterns for a particular angular rotation.

To illustrate and more precisely describe these operations, consider the example minutia patterns shown in Figures 4A and 4B, which example differs from the one shown in Figures 1-3. The search minutia pattern is one of the rotated sets of search minutia patterns. If the file minutia pattern is shifted 10 units in X and 10 units in Y (10 is added to each of the minutia X and Y values), there is almost a perfect correspondence between the search and file minutia patterns. Table 4 contains a minutia comparison matrix. This matrix lists the result of comparing each search minutia (the leftmost column of the matrix) with each file minutia (the top row of the matrix). The matrix entries show the results of the comparison. The letter A indicates that the tail angles for the two minutiae corresponding to that matrix element (e.g., search minutia, S1, and file minutia F8) differ by more than the allowed amount (30 degrees).

The two numerical entries for each pair of file and search minutia (e.g., 24, -20 for S2, F1) indicate the increments in X and Y that must be added to the file minutia data in order to superimpose that file minutia on top of the search minutia after the centers of the search and file minutia patterns have been made coincident.

The coordinates for the center of the search print are the average of the X and Y values respectively for the search minutiae. The Y coordinates for the center of the file print are the mid-points between the maximum and minimum values of X and Y respectively for the file minutiae. The center for each minutia pattern is shown by the + symbol in Figures 4A and 4B.

The coordinate values shown for each minutia in the top row and left column of the comparison matrix of Table 4 are with respect to the center of the print. Thus, to compute the translations in X and Y, ΔX and ΔY , that are required to superimpose two minutiae, such as S2 and F4, the values of the file minutia are subtracted from the values of the search minutia, as shown by the equations of Figure 4. For the S2, F4 minutia pair, these differences are 12 and 10 for X and Y, respectively, as shown in the F4 column and S2 row of the comparison matrix. The +2 term in the X translation equation of Figure 4 is necessary to allow for the non-alignment of the center of the minutia patterns (the coordinates of the center of the search minutiae are 28, 30 and for the file print center are 30-30 producing a difference in the X coordinates of 2).

The entries of the letter L indicate that the translation required for the superposition of two minutiae (e.g., S2, F5) exceeds a threshold which is half of the file minutia pattern width for X and half of the file minutia pattern height for Y. Both the X and Y translations must be less than these thresholds to avoid an L entry. The width and height of the file minutia patterns of Figure 4 are 55 and 50, respectively.

Using the numbers contained in the comparison matrix, a two dimensional histogram is constructed. Figure 5 shows such a histogram for the example of Figure 4. Each cell of the histogram corresponds to the translations in X and Y listed on the top and left edges of the histogram. The number within each cell indicates the number of minutia pairs that exist for a given X and Y translation of the search print. The histogram is constructed by first setting all cells in the histogram to zero and then incrementing (by 1) each histogram cell that corresponds to the numerical entries in the comparison matrix of Table 4. Thus, for example, the minutia pair S2, F3, with a comparison matrix entry of 24, 5 causes the contents of the (24,25; 5,4) histogram cell to be incremented by one. As can be seen by an examination of Figures 4 and 5, all of the correct or proper corresponding minutia pairs (e.g., (S1,F3), (S3,F4) etc.), cause either the (14,15; 11,10) histogram cell or an adjacent cell to be incremented.

To determine from the histogram the best X,Y translation, a search is made of the histogram cells to find the cell with the maximum value. The coordinates of the cell with the maximum value gives the translation values in X and Y which yield the maximum degree of matching. Because of the discrete nature of the process, a slight modification of the procedure is used to avoid edge or boundary problems that produce quantization

errors. In the example, there actually are eight pairs of corresponding minutiae. Only four of these pairs are counted in the (14,15; 11,10) histogram cell. The counts for the other four pairs appear in the left and top adjacent cells due to slight variations in the spacing between minutiae of the two patterns. To allow for these edge or boundary problems, the maximum count for the histogram is computed based on the sum of the counts for four adjacent cells. Thus, the maximum count for the histogram of Figure 5 is eight, and using the center of the cluster of four cells that gives this maximum, the X and Y translations that best line up the two minutia patterns are (using integer computations) 13 and 11 (assuming an initial alignment of the print centers).

The actual mechanization of this alignment procedure, while functionally the same, is somewhat different computationally from that described in the example. One difference is that a comparison matrix as such is never constructed; the computations are done for each minutia pair comparison by means of two nested DO loops, with the histogram being updated at the completion of each minutia pair computation. The desirability of having the minutiae sorted by angle is apparent from an examination of the comparison matrix of Table 4, since all of the A entries for a given row are in one or two sequential groups which include at least one end of the row. Logic is used in the DO loop computation based on these sequential angle differences to reduce the number of minutia pair computations.

Other computation differences are concerned with the manner in which the boundary problem for the histogram is handled and the construction of the histogram for the matcher where, in effect, four more or less independent computations proceed in parallel.

The minutia pattern line-up or registration process is functionally identical to a two-dimensional discrete pattern correlation process wherein one pattern is placed on top of another, the number of corresponding features are counted, a correlation matrix element is incremented, the pattern is shifted a small increment, and the corresponding features again are counted, etc.

In order to determine the best rotation angle for lining up or registering two prints, histograms as described above are constructed in sequence for each rotation angle. The rotation angle which gives the maximum histogram entry is the best rotation angle. If there is more than one maximum in the histogram (i.e., two or more cells have the same

count which is higher than all others), the coordinates for each maximum are computed and stored as well as the rotation angles. Such a condition represents two equally good pattern registrations as determined by the above registration process. The rest of the matching process is executed for each of these maximums (up to five) and a match score is computed for each. The highest resulting match score is taken as the print match score.

4.0 TEST FOR EARLY OUT

After the two prints have been registered, the maximum histogram entry, M_M^* , is a measure of how well the minutia patterns match since it is approximately the number of minutiae that are mates. (This measure is not exact because of possible double counting - one search minutia might be "paired" with more than one file minutia by the above process.) A comparison of M_M^* is made with an early out threshold, E_T . E_T is a matching parameter that is specified by the operator. The value of E_T is dependent on the type of search prints used. A typical value for latent search prints is 15. If $M_M^* < E_T$, a zero match score is assigned, and no further match computations are performed for these two prints. If $M_M^* > E_T$, a more refined minutia pairing and scoring procedure is used, as described in the following sections.

5.0 MINUTIA PAIRING AND SCORING PROCEDURE

The process for minutia pairing and scoring is outlined in Figure 6. Figure 6 is a flow diagram of the pairing and scoring process. The various procedures indicated by the blocks in Figure 6 are discussed in more detail in the following subsections. The process is illustrated in Figure 7 for which the corresponding minutia data are tabulated in Table 5. Figure 7 contains an example of the overlaid plots corresponding to tabular listings of X, Y and θ minutia values and is used to illustrate the specifics of the process.

5.1 FORMATION OF INITIAL HIT LIST

The first step in the minutia pairing and scoring process is the formation of a list called the "HIT" list which is a list of the search

and file minutiae which are near enough to each other to be considered as potential mating pairs of minutiae. Table 6 is a "HIT" list for the example illustrated in Figure 7 and lists for each search minutia those file minutiae which are "close to" it. In order for a file minutia to be considered close to a search minutia, the file X, Y and θ values must satisfy the equations

$$\begin{aligned} |X_{Si} - X_{Fj}| &= \Delta X_{ij}, \Delta X_{ij} \leq E_X \\ |Y_{Si} - Y_{Fj}| &= \Delta Y_{ij}, \Delta Y_{ij} \leq E_Y \\ |\theta_{Si} - \theta_{Fj}| &= \Delta \theta_{ij}, \Delta \theta_{ij} \leq E_\theta \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

X_{Si} , X_{Fj} , Y_{Si} , Y_{Fj} , θ_{Si} , and θ_{Fj} represent the i th search and the j th file X, Y, and θ minutia values respectively, and E_X , E_Y and E_θ are the permissible X, Y and θ pairing errors.

For minutia pairs (i, j) which satisfy this criteria, a distance or closeness measure, D_{ij} , is computed as:

$$D_{ij} = \Delta X_{ij} + \Delta Y_{ij} + \Delta \theta_{ij} S_\theta \quad (7)$$

where S_θ is a quantity used to scale the θ differences to the same range as the X and Y distances and depends on the units used to represent X, Y and θ . For X and Y measured in .008 inch units and θ measured in 5.6 degree units, S_θ would be 4. In addition to satisfying equations (6), in order for a file minutia to be considered close to a search minutia, the following distance relationship must also be satisfied:

$$D_{ij} \leq D_M \quad (8)$$

where D_M is the permissible distance error. This distance measure is also shown for each of the minutia pairs listed in Table 6. All file minutia which are "close" to a search minutia (up to a limit of four) are listed in the initial HIT list in ascending order of closeness as measured by D_{ij} , as shown in Table 6.

5.2 NEIGHBORHOOD HIT LIST

The rest of the minutia pairing and scoring procedure involves examining all possible search and file minutia combinations and selecting that combination which tends to maximize the match score under a closeness-of-fit scoring technique for the neighboring pairs of minutiae. To determine which neighboring search minutiae also have mating file minutiae, a list is formed for each mating search minutia, called the "NHIT" list. An example of an "NHIT" list appears in Tables 7(a)-7(e). The left-most column of this list is a list of the N closest search minutiae to that search minutia (called here the neighborhood center minutia) for which the list is formed. The right-hand most column is a list of file minutiae (up to two) which are close to the search minutia listed in the left-most column of the table. These neighborhood closeness and distance measures are computed in accord with equations (6), (7) and (8), although different values of E_x , E_y , E_θ , S_θ , and D_M (i.e., E_{XN} , E_{YN} , $E_{\theta N}$, $S_{\theta N}$, and D_M) can be specified. That is, the tolerances and scaling factors can be different for the HIT and NHIT lists. In Table 7(a), the NHIT list for the search and file pair of minutiae (S4,F4) is shown together with the nearness or closeness measure for the four closest neighbors to minutia S4 (i.e., S3, S2, S8, S1). This list only includes the two closest file minutiae for a given search minutia. Duplicate file minutiae are eliminated from the list according to a set of logic which first maximizes the number of search minutiae having a mating file minutiae, and then minimizes the distance or nearness measure when two pairs of minutiae are considered at a time.

The operation of the logic is illustrated by means of the example NHIT list of Table 8 (the minutiae of the example are not related to those of the example in Table 5). The first minutia combination to be considered by the logic is the S1,F2 combination listed in the first row. However, an examination of the second row shows that F2 appears in this row also, and with a smaller distance than in row one. If minutia F2 is paired with S2 because of the smaller distance, then there is no minutiae to pair with S1. In order to minimize the number of pairings, the selection is made as shown in the final pairing column of the list. The detailed logic for processing the NHIT list is shown in the follow chart of Figure 8. In Figure 8:

- NB = the number of neighbors for each search minutia
 NHIT(I,1) = closest file minutia to the I search minutia in the
 NHIT list
 NHIT(I,2) = distance measure between the I search minutia in the
 NHIT list and the NHIT (I,1) file minutia
 NHIT(I,3) = next closest file minutia to the I search minutia in
 the NHIT list
 NHIT(I,4) = distance measure between the I search minutia in the
 NHIT list and the NHIT(I,3) file minutia.

Following the logic of Figure 8 and working in a top-to-bottom fashion through the list to eliminate duplicate file minutiae and then selecting the pairing giving the smallest distance measure results in the pairing shown in the "final pairing" column of the list. This logic is not sufficiently complex to always produce an optimum solution since if the file entry for row three would have been (F7,2) instead of (F8,2), the final pairing for the first three rows would have been (F2,5), - , (F7,2) which is not as good as the selection - , (F2,2), (F7,2) for which the combined distance is 4 as compared to 7 for the less complex procedure. The simpler logic, however, is used in order to improve the matching speed since situations requiring the more complex logic are rare.

Once a NHIT list has been edited to eliminate duplicate file minutiae and the resulting, best search-file neighborhood minutia pairings have been determined (according to the above rules), the variance in the fit of the neighboring minutiae is computed. A combined variance over X, Y and θ is computed as:

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{3} \left[\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_\theta^2 / S_\theta \right] \quad (9)$$

Whereas:

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$$\sigma_x^2 = \Sigma \left[(\Delta x - \bar{x}_{\Delta x})^2 \right] = \frac{1}{N_M} \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} (\Delta x_j)^2 - \left[\frac{1}{N_M} \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \Delta x_j \right]^2$$

$$\sigma_y^2 = \Sigma \left[(\Delta y - \bar{y}_{\Delta y})^2 \right] = \frac{1}{N_M} \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} (\Delta y_j)^2 - \left[\frac{1}{N_M} \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \Delta y_j \right]^2 \quad (10)$$

$$\sigma_\theta^2 = \Sigma \left[(\Delta \theta - \bar{\theta}_{\Delta \theta})^2 \right] = \frac{1}{N_M} \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} (\Delta \theta_j)^2 - \left[\frac{1}{N_M} \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \Delta \theta_j \right]^2$$

S_θ is a quantity used to scale the σ_θ^2 values to the same range as σ_x^2 and σ_y^2 . Δx_j , Δy_j , $\Delta \theta_j$ are the X, Y and θ differences between neighboring search and file minutiae, and N_M is the number of matching neighbors. Again S_θ is a function of the units used to measure X, Y and θ . For X and Y measured in units of 0.008 inches and θ in units 5.6° , S_θ is in the range of 16-32.

In order to use integer arithmetic, equations (10) are computed using a different scale factor S_σ to scale the computed σ^2 values to appropriate integer values. The value of S_σ depends on the scoring table used and for the scoring table of Table 9, $S_\sigma = 4$. In FORTRAN notation, the equation for determining σ_x^2 , equation (10), has the form:

$$IVX = ((MXIS - (MXI*MXI)/NMM) * IVARF/NMM$$

where:

(11)

$$IVX = \sigma_x^2$$

$$MXIS = \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \Delta x_j^2$$

$$MXI = \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \Delta x_j$$

$$NMM = N_M$$

$$IVARF = S_\sigma$$

Tables 7(b) and 7 (d) show the variance computations for the (S4,F4) and (S4,F2) minutia pairs respectively. In these computations, $S_{\sigma} = 4$ and $S_{\theta} = 22.5$. The integer scaled values of σ^2 are indicated by σ_S^2 .

Having computed the individual minutia scores in the neighborhood fit of minutia, a dimension of the table is shown in Table 7(e). There is σ_S^2 , the combined, score of matching neighbors, and the variance of the fit. The 1 minutia score for the (S4,F4) pair is 0 because σ_S is greater than 14, the largest σ_S^2 entry of the table, while the individual minutia score for the S4,F2 minutia pair is 60 (the fourth row and fourth column entry of Table 7(e)). A careful examination of the minutia patterns of Table 5 shows that the (S4,F2) pairing gives a much better fit for the neighboring minutiae as the σ_S^2 computation for this pairing indicates.

Table 9 is the scoring table used in the preferred embodiment. The table is treated in the computer program as a one-dimensional table for purposes of speed and the indices to the table are computed using the specified minimum and maximum values for N_M and σ_S^2 . This procedure, in effect, specifies a score for all of N_M , σ_S^2 space but it does not require an infinite table of scoring values. Thus, using FORTRAN type notation,

(12)

If $N_M > N_{MX}$, $N_M = N_{MX}$	
If $N_M < N_{MN}$, $S_M = 0$	
If $\sigma_S^2 > \sigma_{SX}^2$, $S_M = 0$	
If $\sigma_X^2 < \sigma_{SN}^2$, $\sigma_S^2 = \sigma_{SN}^2$	

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where N_{MX} , N_{MN} , σ_{SX}^2 , and σ_{SN}^2 are the maximum and minimum allowed values of N_H and σ_S^2 respectively. In Table 9 $N_{MX} = 12$, $N_{MN} = 4$, $\sigma_{SX}^2 = 30$, and $\sigma_{SN}^2 = 1$. Table 9 was developed by intuitive and empirical means so as to give a high score when the search and file fingerprints are similar, and a low score when they are dissimilar.

When the score S_{Mij} , for a given search minutia-file minutia pair (as listed in the initial HIT list), has been determined from its relationship to its closest neighbors, this score is entered in the initial HIT list in place of the distance measure initially computed for this minutia pair. This procedure is repeated until scores have been determined for all minutia pairs defined by the initial HIT list. Table 10(a) is the HIT list for Table 6 with the distance measure replaced by the individual minutia scores. In order to avoid considerable hand computations to provide this example, all of the S_{Mij} entries except for the S_{M44} entries are rough approximations, but are sufficiently representative to illustrate the essential features of the process.

5.3 DETERMINATION OF FINAL HIT LIST AND INDIVIDUAL MINUTIA SCORE

When all of the score entries have been made in the initial HIT list, the file minutia entries for each row are re-ordered to be in descending order based on the score entries, and only the first two entries are retained in the HIT list. The right-most column of the example HIT list of Table 10(a) shows the effect of this re-ordering and truncation.

Using the truncated, score-ordered HIT list, multiple file minutiae are eliminated by selecting that pairing which maximizes the total score when minutia pairings are considered two at a time. The selection process for the example of Table 10 is straightforward- in the right-most column of Table 10(a), the file minutia with the lowest score is always eliminated if multiple entries exist. Those file minutiae to be eliminated are indicated by a star (*) in this table.

A situation not quite so straightforward is shown in Table 11. If the lowest scoring file minutiae are eliminated, there is no mating file minutia for search minutiae S2, S4, S7, and S8. The selection logic considers the pairing for two search minutiae at a time and is such that the combined score for the two minutia pairing is maximized. Figure 9

contains a flow chart of the process. In Figure 9:

NS = number of search minutia
HIT(i,1) = file minutia number with largest score on ith row
of HIT array
HIT(.,.) = score for file minutia of H(i,1)
HIT(i,3) = minutia number with second highest score
row of HIT array
HIT(i,4) = score for file minutia of H(i,3)
A HIT entry of 999 indicates an empty cell or no minutia pairing.

The result of the application of the process shown in Figure 9 to the example of Table 11 is shown in the right-most column of Table 11. The logic is not sufficiently complex to truly maximize the score over all possible pairing combinations. In the example of Table 11, the score would be five points higher if file minutia F9 were paired with search minutia S3 instead of S4 as shown. Such situations requiring more complex logic, however, seem to be very rare, and hence the added logic complexity that would be needed to handle such situations is not included as part of the match procedure.

6.0 FINAL MATCH SCORE

The final match score for the entire print is simply the sum of the match scores for each individual search minutia, as determined from the final HIT list. This is illustrated at the bottom part of Table 10(b).

The invention is mechanized by means of a FORTRAN routine run on any suitable computer system such as the IBM 7090. Appendix I contains a FORTRAN listing of the computer program. Appendix II contains a list of the more significant program variables.

Although the invention has been described and illustrated in detail, it is clearly understood that the same is by way of illustration and example only and is not to be taken by way of limitation, the spirit and scope of this invention being limited only by the terms of the appended claims.

I claim:

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MINUTIA NO.	MINUTIA COORDINATES			
	NO.	X	Y	θ
1	103	13	2	
2	18	21	8	
3	51	93	40	
4	8	29	45	
5	30	40	90	
6	90	79	130	
7	117	43	135	
8	116	87	135	
9	90	50	160	
10	55	30	165	
11	120	24	172	
12	85	21	174	
13	72	98	182	
14	101	111	184	
15	47	16	187	
16	42	99	220	
17	23	72	250	
18	60	70	295	
19	43	52	305	
20	70	80	318	

a) SEARCH MINUTIA

MINUTIA NO.	MINUTIA COORDINATES			
	NO.	X	Y	θ
1	41	118	40	
2	34	93	62	
3	20	18	67	
4	34	36	118	
5	75	95	148	
6	112	72	170	
7	88	69	175	
8	78	48	181	
9	94	40	185	
10	61	36	193	
11	73	129	212	
12	23	95	250	
13	18	63	275	
14	33	74	284	
15	46	54	320	
16	95	91	331	
17	58	89	344	

b) FILE MINUTIA

TABLE I

LIST OF BASIC STEPS IN PROCESS

- 1.0 PREPARE SEARCH MINUTIA DATA
 - 1.1 SORT I: TO ANGLE ORDER
 - 1.2 FIND CLOSEST NEIGHBORS
 - 1.3 ROTATE SEARCH MINUTIA FOR EACH ANGULAR POSITION
- 2.0 PREPARE FILE MINUTIA DATA
 - 2.1 SORT I: TO ANGLE ORDER
 - 2.2 FIND MIN AND MAX X AND Y VALUES
 - 2.3 COMPUTE QUANTIZATION PARAMETERS
- 3.0 PRINT REGISTRATION (FIND BEST ANGLE ORIENTATION AND X,Y OFFSETS FOR LINING UP SEARCH AND FILE MINUTIA PATTERN(S))
 - 3.1 FOR EACH ANGULAR ROTATION: BUILD A TWO DIMENSIONAL HISTOGRAM OF X,Y TRANSLATIONS TO OVERLAY ALL POSSIBLE MINUTIA PAIRS
 - 3.2 DETERMINE X,Y TRANSLATIONS CORRESPONDING TO MAXIMUM OF HISTOGRAM
 - 3.3 DETERMINE ROTATION ANGLE FOR MAXIMUM OF ALL HISTOGRAMS
 - 3.4 DETERMINE MAXIMUM VALUE OF ALL HISTOGRAMS, M^*
- 4.0 TEST FOR EARLY OUT
 - 4.1 COMPARE M^* WITH THRESHOLD, ET
 - 4.2 IF $M^* < ET$, ASSIGN ZERO MATCH SCORE, EXIT
 - 4.3 IF $M^* > ET$, PROCEED
- 5.0 "ROTATE, TRANSLATE" SEARCH MINUTIA TO BEST MATCH POSITION, DETERMINE WHICH SEARCH MINUTIA MATCH WITH WHICH FILE MINUTIA
- 6.0 FOR EACH SEARCH MINUTIA WHICH HAS A MATING FILE MINUTIA, TRANSLATE SEARCH MINUTIA SO THESE MINUTIA COINCIDE. COUNT HOW MANY OF N₁ CLOSEST NEIGHBORING SEARCH MINUTIA ALSO HAVE A MATING FILE MINUTIA, N₂. COMPUTE THE INDIVIDUAL MINUTIA SCORE, I_{1i}, AS $I_{1i} = N_{2i}^2$
 - 6.1 FORM INITIAL "HIT" LIST
 - 6.2 FORM NEIGHBORHOOD HIT ("NHIT") LIST
 - 6.3 DETERMINE FINAL HIT LIST AND INDIVIDUAL MINUTIA SCORE
- 7.0 COMPUTE TOTAL FINAL MATCH SCORE S_M AS $S_M = \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} I_{1i}$

TABLE 2

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MINUTIA NO.	8 NEAREST NEIGHBORS
1	11, 12, 7, 9, 15, 10, 6, 8
2	4, 5, 15, 10, 17, 19, 18, 12
3	16, 13, 20, 18, 6, 19, 17, 14
4	2, 5, 15, 10, 17, 19, 18, 12
5	4, 2, 17, 19, 10, 15, 18, 9
6	20, 13, 8, 14, 9, 18, 3, 7
...	

TABLE 3

	F1 (-5,-5)	F2 (20,10)	F3 (-5,0)	F4 (3,-5)	F5 (-20,-10)	F6 (-5,-15)	F7 (-25,5)	F8 (-28,5)	F9 (-20,-25)	F10 (5,-25)	F11 (27,-10)
S1 (7, 10)	14,-15	-11,0	14,10	6,16	L	14,25	A	A	A	A	A
S2 (17,5)	24,-20	-1,-5	24,5	12,10	L	24,20	A	A	A	A	A
S3 (-8,0)	-5,-25	-20,-10	-1,0	-9,5	14,10	-1,15	A	A	A	A	A
S4 (7,-5)	L	-11,-15	14,-5	6,0	L	14,10	A	A	A	A	A
S5 (-10,5)	A	A	A	A	A	9,0	12,10	A	A	A	A
S6 (-13,10)	A	A	A	A	A	14,13	17,23	A	A	A	A
S7 (-8,-13)	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	14,12	-11,12	L	
S8 (17,-16)	A	A	A	A	A	A	L	14,10	-8,-3		

TABLE 4

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SEARCH MINUTIA			
NO.	X	Y	θ
1	8	8	25
2	14	21	27
3	10	20	30
4	6	17	32
5	36	10	150
6	31	8	155
7	26	14	160
8	14	14	235
9	28	22	325
10	32	22	330
11	39	22	340

FILE MINUTIA			
NO.	X	Y	θ
1	18	23	25
2	10	19	25
3	14	22	28
4	5	14	30
5	8	9	30
6	12	10	32
7	28	16	150
8	24	12	160
9	39	12	160
10	35	9	162
11	27	8	170
12	12	15	210
13	18	15	230
14	32	24	320
15	36	23	332
16	25	22	342

TABLE 5

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HIT LIST

SEARCH MINUTIA	CORRESPONDING FILE MINUTIA, DISTANCE
S1	(F5,2), (F6,8), (F4,10)
S2	(F3,1), (F1,6), (F2,6)
S3	(F2,2), (F3,6), (F4,11), (F1,12)
S4	(F4,4), (F2,8), (F5,10), (F3,14)
S5	(F10,3), (F9,7)
S6	(F11,6), (F10,6)
S7	(F8,4), (F7,6), (F11,9)
S8	(F13,6), (F12,8)
S9	(F16,6), (F14,7), (F15,10)
S10	(F14,4), (F15,5), (F16,9)
S11	(F15,5), (F14,13)

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INITIAL NHIT LIST, (S4,F4) PAIRING	
DISPLACED SEARCH MINUTIA	CORRESPONDING FILE MINUTIA, DISTANCE
S3	(F2,2), (F5,9)
S2	(F2,5), (F3,6)
S8	(F12,7), (F13,9)
S1	(F5,6), (F6,11)

(a)

FINAL NHIT LIST, (S4,F4) PAIRING					
SEARCH MINUTIA	FILE MINUTIA	ΔX	ΔY	ΔZ	
S3	F2	1	2	-5	
S2	F3	1	4	1	
S8	F12	-1	4	-25	
S1	F5	1	4	5	
		0.2	0.75	0.75	123

$$*S^2 = 4(0.75) + 4(0.75) + 4(123)/22.5$$

= 30

SH44 = 0

(b)

INITIAL NHIT LIST, (S4,F2) PAIRING	
DISPLACED SEARCH MINUTIA	CORRESPONDING FILE MINUTIA, DISTANCE
S3	(F23,1), (F1,6)
S2	(F1,0), (F3,5)
S8	(F13,2), (F12,10)
S1	(F6,2), (F5,6)

(c)

FINAL NHIT LIST, (S4,F2) PAIRING					
SEARCH MINUTIA	FILE MINUTIA	ΔX	ΔY	ΔZ	
S3	F3	0	0	-2	
S2	F1	0	0	-2	
S8	F13	0	-1	-5	
S1	F6	0	0	7	
		0.2	0	0.19	20

$$*S^2 = 4(0) + 4(0.19) + 4(20)/22.5$$

= 4

SH42 = 60

(d)

EXAMPLE SCORING TABLE															
ΔX	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
2	20	10	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	40	20	10	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	150	120	100	80	60	40	20	10	5	3	1	0	0	0	0
5	200	150	120	100	80	60	40	20	10	5	3	1	0	0	0
6	200	200	200	150	120	100	80	60	40	20	10	5	3	1	0

(e)

TABLE 7(a)-7(e)

DISPLACED SEARCH MINUTIA	CORRESPONDING FILE MINUTIA, DISTANCE	FINAL PAIRING
S1	(F2.5) -	(F2.5)
S2	(F2.2), (F7.5)	(F7.5)
S3	(F8.2) -	(F8.2)
S4	(F8.4), (F9.6)	(F9.6)
S5	(F10.3), (F11.5)	(F10.3)
S6	(F12.3), (F14.5)	(F14.5)
S7	(F14.7) -	-
S8	F(12.1) -	F(12.1)

TABLE 8

SCORING TABLE

2 NM	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	50	100	120	150	170	200	220	250	250
2	30	60	100	120	150	180	200	220	250
3	20	40	70	110	140	150	180	210	240
4	10	20	60	100	120	140	160	200	220
5	8	16	40	70	100	110	150	190	200
6	5	10	20	40	80	100	130	170	200
7	3	8	16	32	64	90	110	160	180
8	2	6	12	24	48	80	100	150	170
9	1	5	10	20	40	70	100	140	160
10	0	3	6	12	24	50	90	130	150
11	0	2	5	10	20	40	80	120	150
12	0	1	5	10	20	40	80	110	140
13	0	0	4	8	16	32	64	100	120
14	0	0	3	6	12	24	48	100	120
15	0	0	2	4	8	16	32	70	100
16	0	0	1	3	6	12	24	50	90
17	0	0	0	2	4	8	16	40	80
18	0	0	0	1	3	6	12	30	70
19	0	0	0	0	2	4	8	20	60
20	0	0	0	0	1	3	6	10	40
21	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	8	30
22	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	6	20
23	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	10
24	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	8
25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6
26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE 9

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SEARCH MINUTIA	RESPONDING FILE MINUTIA, DUAL MINUTIA SCORES	CORRESPONDING FILE MINUTIA AFTER SCORE ORDERING AND TRUNCATION
S1	(F4,0)	(F6,100), (F5,3)
S2	(F2,1)	(F1,80), (F3,10)*
S3	(F2,3), (F3,100), (F4,0), (F1,0)	(F3,100), (F2,3)*
S4	(F4,0), (F2,60), (F5,0), (F3,0)	(F2,60), (F4,0)
S5	(F10,10), (F9,20)	(F9,20), (F10,10)*
S6	(F11,20), (F10,80)	(F10,80), (F11,20)
S7	(F8,3), (F7,60), (F11,0)	(F7,60), (F8,3)
S8	(F13,100), (F12,3)	(F13,100), (F12,3)
S9	(F16,3), (F14,40), (F15,0)	(F14,40), (F16,3)
S10	(F14,5), (F15,60), (F16,0)	(F15,60), (F14,5)*
S11	(F15,3), (F14,10)	(F14,10)*, (F15,3)*

* ELIMINATED MINUTIA

(a) INTERMEDIATE HIT LIST

SEARCH MINUTIA	SELECTED FILE MINUTIA AND SCORE
S1	(F6,100)
S2	(F1,80)
S3	(F3,100)
S4	(F2,60)
S5	(F9,20)
S6	(F10,80)
S7	(F7,60)
S8	(F13,100)
S9	(F14,40)
S10	(F15,60)
S11	

MATCH SCORE = 100 + 80 + 100 + 60 + 20 + 80 + 60 + 100 + 40 + 60
= 700

(b) FINAL HIT LIST

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SEARCH MINUTIA	CORRESPONDING FILE MINUTIA AFTER SCORE ORDERING AND TRUNCATION	FINAL PAIRING AND SCORE
S1	(F3,40)*, (F7,35)	(F7,35)
S2	(F3,20)	(F3,20)
S3	(F9,20)*, (F11,10)*	-
S4	(F9,15)	(F9,15)
S5	(F11,50)	(F11,50)
S6	(F15,60), F(18,30)	(F15,60)
S7	(F15,10)*	-
S8	(F15,5)*	-
S9	(F21,30), (F23,15)	(F21,30)
S10	(F21,25)*, (F26,20)	(F26,20)
S11	(F31,30)*, (F32,20)	(F32,20)
S12	(F31,20), (F33,5)	(F31,20)

* ELIMINATED MINUTIA

TABLE II

APPENDIX I

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47: OPEN 0, "RAOSTR", ERR=8030, ATT="C", LEN=512, REC=2
48: CALL NOBLK(0,0,1STAR,2,1ER)
49: CLOSE 0
50: GO TO A030
51: A020 TYPE <CR>@MATCHP# RAOSTR FILE DOES NOT EXIST
52: ISCOR = 0
53: RETURN
54: C  SORT INTO ANGLE ORDER
55: C  NRIV = MXNHL
56: C  IRA = ERAA + DELTH + NAT/2
57: C  CALL ASURT(IRA, NP, VPT, P)
58: C  COMPUTE AVERAGE X AND Y
59: C
60: C  NP3 = NP*3
61: C  NPCD = NP/3
62: C  SUMX = 0
63: C  SUMY = 0
64: C
65: DO 15 I = 1, NP3, 3
66: SUMX = SUMX + S(I)
67: SUMY = SUMY + S(I+1)
68: AVX = SUMX/NP
69: AVY = SUMY/NP
70: C  CENTER LATENT AROUND ORIGIN
71: C
72: C
73: UN 25 1 = 1, NPCD, 3
74: SS(I) = S(I) - AVX
75: SS(I+1) = S(I+1) - AVY
76: SS(I+2) = S(I+2)

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1	77:	C
78:	C	FIND CLOSEST NEIGHBORS
79:	C	
80:	-	NNRIVS = NRIV+1
81:	NN = NP + J	
82:	IT=0	
83:	DO 800 J = 1,NN,3	
84:	DO 390 L = 1,NRIVS	
85:	NRAG(L) = 0	
86:	RIV(L) = 32767	
87:	PX = SS(I)	
88:	PY = SS(I+1)	

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691      00 750 J = 1,NN,3
901      10X * IABS(PX-SS(J))
911      10Y * IABS(PY-SS(J+1))
921      10X + 10Y
931      IF(IR .GT. IPAR(19)) GO TO 750
941      IF (IR .GT. RIV(1)) GO TO 750
951      00 620 K = 2,NRIVS
961      IF (IR .GT. RIV(K)) GO TO 650
971      RIV(K-1) = RIV(K)
981      NRRS(K-1) = NRRS(K)
991      K = NRIV3 + 1
1001     650   RIV(K-1) = IR
1011     NRRS(K-1) = J/3 + 1
1021     750   CONTINUE
1031     IEND = NRIV
1041     160   ITMP = 0
1051     00 770 L=2, IEND
1061     IF (NRRS( L ) .GT. NRRS( L-1 )) GO TO 770
1071     ITMP = NRRS(L)
1081     NRRS( L ) = NRRS( L-1 )
1091     NRRS( L-1 ) = ITMP
1101     770   CONTINUE
1111     IF (ITMP .EQ. 0) GO TO 799
1121     IEND = IEND - 1
1131     IF (IEND .GT. 1) GO TO 760
1141     799   00 780 L=1,NRIV
1151     IT = IT + 1
1161     740   NRRS(L) = NRSS(L)
1171     800   CONTINUE
1181     C
1191     C      ROTATE LATENT FOR EACH ANGULAR POSITION

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1201	C	NP2 = NP+NP
1211		NP2CD = NP2
1221		JA = (32-NAT)/2 +1
1231		JB = (32+NAT)/2
1241		KM = -1
1251		DO 30 L X1, NPCD, Y
1261		XH = K4 + 2
1271		PX = SS(L)
1281		PX = SS(L)
1291		PY = SS(L+1)
1301		PYS = SS(PY)
1311		KK = K4
1321		DO 40 N=JA, JA
1331		PA(KK) = PX = (PYS/C01V(N)) = (PYS/SDIV(N))
1341		

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135:      PA(KK+1) = (PX3/S0IV(N)) + PY = (PY3/C0IV(N))
136:      GO KK = KK+NP2CN
137:      30  CONTINUE
138:      KK = KK
139:      JF = -SS(J)
140:      IF(JF .LT. 0) JF = 0
141:      LWIN = JF*(NAT/2)*DELTW - DELTH/2
142:      K = 0
143:      DO 90 I = 1, NP
144:      K = K+3
145:      90 PAA(I) = SG(K) + JF
146:      IFLAG = 1
147:      --65 ... CONTINUE
148:      C
149:      C*  PREPARE FILE DATA
150:      C
151:      NF3 = NF*3
152:      C
153:      C*  COMPUTE QUANTIZATION PARAMETERS
154:      C
155:      NX = MIN0((IXMAX-IXWIN)/DELX,NXMAX)
156:      IF(NX.EQ.0) NX=1

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157:      NY = MINU((IYMAX-IYMIN)/DELY, NYMAX)
158:      IF (NY.EQ.0) NY=1
159:      ICXF = (IXMAX+IXMIN)/2
160:      ICYF = (IYMAX+IYMIN)/2
161:      JFXMIN = ICXF - DELX*NX/2
162:      JFYMIN = ICYF - DELX*NY/2
163:      NX1 = NX+2
164:      NY1 = NY+2
165:      NX11 = NX1*NY1
166:      LX = NX*DELY/2
167:      LY = NY*DELY/2
168:      NP8 = 8*NP
169:      NBQ = NRIV*4
170:      C
171:      C START OF BASIC MATCH ALGORITHM
172:      C
173:      C FIRST, FIND THE BEST X,Y OFFSETS AND ANGLE ORIENTATIONS FOR
174:      C CENTERING THE LATENT PRINT OVER THE FILE PRINT
175:      C
176:      C COMPUTE SEARCH POSITION LIMITS
177:      C
178:      C
179:      DO 3 I = 1,NX1
180:      COUNT(I) = 0
181:      IANG = 2

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1611      MMAX = 0
1621      IJ = 1-NP2CD
1631      IANGM = DELTH
1641      COUNT HITS FOR EACH ANGULAR POSITION
1651      C
1661      DO 500 NANGLE = 1,NAT
1671      IANGM = IANGM + DELTH
1681      NJ = 1
1691      NJ = NJ + NP2CD
1701      IAGTAG = -256-LAHIN+IANGM
1711      IJ = IJ + 2
1721      DO 300 IBA = 1,2
1731      IAGTAG = IAGTAG + 256
1741      IJ = IJ + 2
1751      DO 300 I = 1,NP
1761      IJ = IJ + 2
1771      PX = PA(IJ) + ICXF
1781      PY = PA(IJ+1) + ICYF
1791      PXLX = PX - LX
2001      PYLY = PY - LY
2011      IANG = PAAC(I) + IAGTAG
2021      N = NJ
2031      DO 275 J = N,NEJ
2041      IF (IABS(F(IJ+2))-IANG)*CT*ERAAC) GO TO 260
2051      IF (IAG9(F(IJ)-PX)*GE*LX) GO TO 275
2061      IF (IABS(F(IJ+1)-PY)*GE*LY) GO TO 275
2071      KST = ((F(IJ)-PXLX)/DELX)*NY1 + (F(IJ+1)-PYLY)/DELX + 1
2081      COUNT(KST) = COUNT(XST) + 1

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209:      COUNT(KST+NY1) = COUNT(KST+NY1) + 1
210:      KST = KST + 1
211:      COUNT(KST) = COUNT(KST) + 1
212:      COUNT(KST+NY1) = COUNT(KST) + 1
213:      GO TO 275
214:      260  IF (F(J+2).GT.IANG) GO TO 300
215:      NJ = J
216:      275  CONTINUE
217:      300  CONTINUE
218:      C
219:      C      FIND COORDINATES OF MAXIMUM HIT COUNT
220:      C
221:      DD 400  I = 1, NY1
222:      NG5 = COUNT(I)
223:      COUNT(I) = 0
224:      IF (NSS.LT.IANG) GO TO 400
225:      IF (NSS.EQ.IANG) GO TO 399
226:      MAX=1
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227:      IANG = NSS
228:      NPOS(MMAX) = 1
229:      NMAX(MMAX) = NANGLE
230:      GO TO 400
231: 394      MMAX = MMAX + 1
232:      IF (MMAX .GT. 5) MMAX = 5
233:      NPOS(MMAX) = 1
234:      NMAX(MMAX) = NANULE
235:      400      CONTINUE
236:      500      CONTINUE
237:      C
238:      C SECOND, MOVE THE LATENT PRINT AND FIND WHICH OF THE LATENT
239:      C MINUTIAE MATCH AND RECORD THIS IN THE HIT ARRAY.
240:      C
241:      ISCORE = 0
242:      IF (IANG .LT. 100) GO TO 992
243:      00 990 JZ = 1,MMAX
244:      C      FIND THE POSITION OFFSETS
245:      C
246:      C
247:      IN = NPOS(JZ)/NY1
248:      JN = NPOS(JZ) - NY1*IN - 1
249:
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269: IF (JN.GT.0) GO TO 601
250: JN = NY
251: IN = IN - 1
252: - 601 CONTINUE
253: NMZ2 = NMZ(JZ)
254: IJ = NP2CD*(NMZ2-1)
255: XOF = IN * DELX + JFXMIN
256: YOF = JN * DELX + JFYMIN
257: UU 122 I = 1, NP8
258: HIT(I) = 9999
259: NJ = 1
260: NANG = (NMZ-1)*DELTH
261: IABIAS = -256 - LAWIN + NANG
262: DO 290 IBA = 1,2
263: IABIAS = IABIAS + 256
264: DO 290 I = 1, NP
265: IH = 6*I-7
266: 278 K = IJ + I + I -1
267: C
268: C      TRANSLATE LATENT TO NEW POSITION
269: C
270: PX = PA(K) + XUF
271: PY = PA(K+1) + YUF
272: IANG = PAA(I) + IABIAS

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2781      N = NJ
2791      IF(N.GE. NF3) GO TO 292
2751      C
2761      C      IDENTIFY HIT3
2771      C
2781      DO 280 J = N, NF3, 3
2791      IEA = IABS(F(J+2) - IANG)
2001      IF(IEA .GT. ERAM) GO TO 279
2801      IEX = IABS(F(J) - PX)
2811      IF(IEX .GT. 0X) GO TO 280
2821      IF(IEX .GT. 0X) GO TO 280
2831      IEY .NE. IABS(F(J+1) - PY)
2841      IF(IEY .GT. DX) GO TO 280
2051      IET .NE. IEA/ASFP + IEX + IEY
2851      IF(IET .GT. IETP) GO TO 280
2861      JH = 6
2071      IF(HIT(IH+JH+1) .LE. IET) GO TO 2786
2581      HIT(IH+JH+1) = IET
2091      HIT(IH+JH) = J/3 + 1
2901      JH = JH-2
2911      IF(JH .LT. 0) GO TO 2786
2921      IF(HIT(IH+JH+3) .GE. HIT(IH+JH+1)) GO TO 2786
2931      IF(HIT(IH+JH) .GE. HIT(IH+JH+1)) GO TO 2786
2941      HIT(IH+JH) = HIT(IH+JH+1)

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295:    IR2 = HIT(IH+JH+1)
296:    HIT(IH+JH) = HIT(IH+JH+2)
297:    ...      HIT(IH+JH+1) = HIT(IH+JH+3)
298:    ...      HIT(IH+JH+2) = IR1
299:    ...      HIT(IH+JH+3) = IR2
300:    GO TO 278
301: 2786 CONTINUE
302:    GO TO 280
303: 279 IF (F(J+2).GT.IANG) GO TO 290
304:    NJ = J
305:    220 CONTINUE
306:    290 CONTINUE
307:    292 CONTINUE
308:    C
309:    C THIRD, FOR EACH LATENT MINUTIAE WHICH IS A HIT, MOVE THE LATENT
310:    C PRINT SO THAT THE MATCHING MINUTIAE COINCIDE AND THEN TEST TO
311:    C SEE HOW MANY OF THE CLOSEST LATENT NEIGHBORS ARE ALSO A HIT.
312:    C
313:    NRRI = -NRIV
314:    DO 898 LW = 1, NP
315:    ...      NRRI = NRRI + NRIV
316:    ...      DO A95 LW1 = 1, 4
317:    ...      IS = 0*(LW1-1) + 2*(LW1-1) + 1
318:    ...      IF(HIT(JS), ED, 9999) GO TO 898

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319:      JF4 = HIT(I$)
320:      J.J = (HIT(I$)-1)*3+1
321:      KK = IJ+LM+LM-1
322:      C      COMPUTE OFFSETS TO OVERLAY LATENT AND FILE MINUTIAE
323:      C
324:      DPX = F(JJ) - PA(KK)
325:      DPY = F(JJ+1) - PA(KK+1)
326:      NJ = 1
327:      DN A10 LL = 1, NHA
328:      DN A10 LL = 0
329:      810 NHIT(LL) = 0
330:      IAIAS = -256 - LAVIN + NANG
331:      DO AS0 KZ = 1,2
332:      IAIAS = IAIAS + 256
333:      C      FIND HITS FOR CLOSEST NEIGHBORS
334:      C
335:      C      DO 850 K = 1, NRIV
336:      KI = NBR(NBRI+K)
337:      IF (KI .EQ. 0) GO TO 850
338:      KI = KI+KI-1+IJ
339:      PX = PA(IK) + DPX
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341: PY = PA(IK+1) + DPY
342: LANG = PAA(K1) + TABIAS
343:      00 845 JK=1,8,2
344:      JSP = 8*(K1-1) + JK
345:      J = IAND(HIT(JGP),377K)
346:      IF(J,ED,9999) GO 10,850
347:      IF(J,ED,JFM) GO 10,845
348:      J = (J-1)*3 + 1
349:      IEA = LAB9(F(J+2) - LANG)
350:      IF(IEA,GT,ERAB) GO TO 845
351:      IEX = IARS(F(J) - PX)
352:      IF(IEX,GT,DX) GO 10,845
353:      IEY = LAB9(F(J+1) - PY)
354:      IF(IEY,GT,DX) GO 10,845
355:      IET = IEK+IEY+IEA/ASFN
356:      IF(IET,GT,IETPN) GO 10,845
357:      IH = 4*K - 3
358:      IF(NHIT(IH),EQ,0) GO TO 835
359:      IF(NHIT(IH+2),NE,0) GO TO 825
360:      IF(NHIT(IH+1),LE,IET) GO TO 830
361:      NHIT(IH+2) = NHIT(IH)
362:      NHIT(IH+3) = NHIT(IH+1)
363:      GO TO 835
364:      A25 IF(IET,GE,NHIT(IH+3)) GO TO 845

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365:  IF(IET .LT. NHIT(IH+1)) GO TO 820
366:  830 14 = IH+2
367:  835 NHIT(IH) * J
368:  2601  NHIT(IH+1) * IET
369:  645 CONTINUE
370:  850 CONTINUE
371:  652 CONTINUE
372:  C
373:  C   ELIMINATE DUPLICATE FILE MINUTIA. SELECT BEST NEIGHBOR PAIRING
374:  C
375:  00 870 I = 1,NE4,q
376:  IF(NHIT(I) * EO, 0) GO TO 870
377:  655  IF4 = NHIT(I)
378:  J = I
379:  858  J = J+q
380:  IF(J .GT. NBA) GO TO 868
381:  IF(NHIT(J) * EO, 0) GO TO 858
382:  IF(NHIT(J) * EO, IF4) GO TO 860
383:  IF(NHIT(J+2) * NE, IF4) GO TO 858
384:  NHIT(J+2) = 0
385:  NHIT(J+3) = 0
386:  GO TO 858
387:  860  IF(NHIT(I+2) * NE, 0) GO TO 865
388:  IF(NHIT(J+2) * NE, 0) GO TO 864
389:  IF(NHIT(I+1) * LT, NHIT(J+1)) GO TO 862
390:  NHIT(I) = 0
391:  NHIT(I+1) = 0
392:  GO TO 870

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393: 862 NHIT(J) = 0
394: NHIT(J+1) = 0
395: GO TO 850
396: 864 NHIT(J) = NHIT(J+2)
397: NHIT(J+1) = NHIT(J+3)
398: NHIT(J+2) = 0
399: NHIT(J+3) = 0
400: GO TO 850
401: 865 IF(NHIT(J+2) .EQ. 0) GO TO 866
402: IF(NHIT(I+1) .LE. NHIT(J+1)) GO TO 864
403: 866 NHIT(I) = NHIT(I+2)
404: NHIT(I+1) = NHIT(I+3)
405: NHIT(I+2) = 0
406: NHIT(I+3) = 0
407: GO TO 855
408: 868 NHIT(I+2) = 0
409: NHIT(I+3) = 0
410: A70 CONTINUE

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111: C FIND SCORE FOR NEIGHBORS BASED ON VARIANCE OF FIT
112: C
113: C
114: MXI = 0
115: MVI = 0
116: MVI = 0
117: MXIS = 0
118: MYS = 0
119: MTS = 0
420: IAGIAS = "LAMINWANG"
421: NMW = 0
422: K = 0
423: DO 840 I = 1, NBR, 1
424: K = K + 1
425: IF (NHI(I) = 0) GO TO 840
426: NMW = NMW + 1
427: J = NHI(I)
428: KI = NBR(NBRI+K)
429: IF (KI = 0) GO TO 840
430: IK = KI + XI - 1 + IJ
431: ID = PA(IK) + DPX - F(J)
432: MXI = MXI + ID
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433:    MXIS = MXIS+JD*10
434:    ID = PA(MK+1) + DPY - F(J+1)
435:    MYI = MYI + 10
436:    MYIS = MYIS + 10*10
437:    ID = PAA(MK) + IABIAS - F(J+2)
438:    IF(ABS(ID) .GT. 127) ID = 10 + 256
439:    MTI = MTI+10
440:    MTIS = MTIS + 10*10
441:    6000 CONTINUE
442:    JSX = NMM - JSMIN + 1
443:    IF(JSX .GT. JSXMM) JSX = JSXMM
444:    IF(JSX .GE. 1) GO TO 805
445:    ITSX = 99
446:    ISORY = 0
447:    ITSX = 0
448:    GO TO 890
449:    805  IVX = ((MXIS - (MXI+MXI)/NMM)*IVARF)/NMM
450:    IVY = ((MYIS - (MYI+MYI)/NMM)*IVARF)/NMM
451:    IVT = ((MTIS - (MTI+MTI)/NMM)*IVARF)/(NMM*ASF3*ASF5)
452:    ITIX = (IVX+IVY+IVT)/3
453:    ITIX = ITIX - IVARWN
454:    IF(ITSX .GT. IVARMX) ITSX = IVARMX
455:    IF(ITSX .LT. 1) ITSX = 1
456:    IXJV = (JSX-1)*IVARMX+ITSX

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571 13C0RY = 13CTVR(I*J*V)
581 890 HIT(I*J+1) = 13C0RY
1591 895 CONTINUE
1601 896 CONTINUE
4611 C ORDER HIT ARRAY ENTRIES BASED ON SCORE
4621 C
4631 C
4641 C
4651 C
4661 C
4671 00 910 J = 1,0,2
4681 IF (HIT(I+J) .EQ. 9999) GO TO 915
4691 IF (HIT(I+J) .LE. MX) GO TO 905
4701 MX2 = MX
4711 MX2N = MXN
4721 MX = HIT(J+1)
4731 MXN = HIT(J+1)
4741 GO TO 910
4751 905 IF (HIT(J+1) .LE. MX2) GO TO 910
4761 MX2 = HIT(J+1)
4771 MX2N = HIT(J+1)
4781 910 CONTINUE
4791 915 IF (MX .LT. 0) GO TO 920
480: HIT(I+1) = MXN
481: HIT(I+2) = MX2N
4821 HIT(I+3) = MX2
4831 HIT(I+4) = MX

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4051 920 CONTINUE
4061 C
4071 C. ---- SELECT LARGEST SCORE FROM HIT LIST MULTIPLE ENTRIES
4081 C

4091 DO 960 I = 1, NP8, 0
4101 IF(HIT(I) .EQ. 9999) GO TO 960
4111 925 IFW = IAND(HIT(I), 377K)
4121 J = I
4131 930 J = J+8
4141 IF(J .GT. NP8) GO TO 960
4151 IF(HIT(J) .EQ. 9999) GO TO 930
4161 IF(IAND(HIT(J), 377K) .EQ. IFW) GO TO 935
4171 IF(IAND(HIT(J+2), 377K) .NE. IFW) GO TO 930
4181 HIT(J+2) = 9999
4191 HIT(J+3) = 9999
5001 GO TO 930
5011 935 IF(HIT(I+2) .NE. 9999) GO TO 948
5021 IF(HIT(I+2) .NE. 9999) GO TO 945
5031 945 I = J1, I2=9999

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ATTRIBUTES		POSITION	SIZE
-- ARRAY --			
F	INTEGER ARRAY	0	612.
COUNT	INTEGER ARRAY	1144	2500.
SS	INTEGER ARRAY	1144	20.
NHIT	INTEGER ARRAY	2331	204.
HIT	INTEGER ARRAY	2521	204.
SCORET	INTEGER ARRAY	6050	160.
IXMIN	INTEGER	6310	
IXMAX	INTEGER	6311	
IYMIN	INTEGER	6312	
IYMAX	INTEGER	6313	
-- PLOTAG --			
PA	INTEGER ARRAY	0	4080.
S	INTEGER ARRAY	0	20.
IJS	INTEGER	7760	
XOFS	INTEGER	7761	
YOFS	INTEGER	7762	
IPAA8	INTEGER	7763	
PAA	INTEGER ARRAY	7764	204.
AVX	INTEGER	10300	
AVY	INTEGER	10301	
-- ARG3 --			
LATID	INTEGER ARRAY	0	7.
ISCD4	INTEGER ARRAY	7	24.
NP	INTEGER	37	
P	INTEGER ARRAY	40	612.
IIFCDA	INTEGER ARRAY	1204	16.
HF	INTEGER	1224	
ISCOR	INTEGER	1225	
IFLAG	INTEGER	1226	
PCN	INTEGER ARRAY	1227	9.
-- MATGP --			

IPAR	INTEGER ARRAY	0	256.
IVARHN	INTEGER	212	
JSYMX	INTEGER	211	
IVARMX	INTEGER	210	
IVARF	INTEGER	207	
JSYMIN	INTEGER	206	
ASFS	INTEGER	77	
ASFN	INTEGER	76	
ERAB	INTEGER	75	
ASFP	INTEGER	74	
IOFLAG	INTEGER	53	
DX	INTEGER	45	
IETPN	INTEGER	44	
IETP	INTEGER	43	
NYMAX	INTEGER	42	
NXMAX	INTEGER	41	
DX	INTEGER	40	
DEIX	INTEGER	37	
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ERAA	INTEGER	35	
NAT	INTEGER	34	
MXNBL	INTEGER	33	
IEOT	INTEGER	31	

-- STATIC VARIABLES --

NBR	INTEGER ARRAY	0	2048.
SU4X	INTEGER	4620	
SU4Y	INTEGER	4621	
SDIV	INTEGER ARRAY	4622	32.
CDIV	INTEGER ARRAY	4662	32.
WARS	INTEGER ARRAY	4722	33.
RIV	INTEGER ARRAY	4763	23.
NPOS	INTEGER ARRAY	5012	5.
NMAX	INTEGER ARRAY	5017	5.
ISCTVR	INTEGER ARRAY	5050	500.
ISTAB	INTEGER ARRAY	5024	512.
XUF	INTEGER	6034	
YDF	INTEGER	6035	
DPX	INTEGER	6036	
DPT	INTEGER	6037	
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JF	INTEGER	6124
LAHIN	INTEGER	6125
VX	INTEGER	6125
YY	INTEGER	6127
ICXF	INTEGER	6130
ICYF	INTEGER	6131
JFXMIN	INTEGER	6132
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-- EXTERNAL SUBPROGRAMS --

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IDENTIFICATION

REFERENCES

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1EYPN	24	356							
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NP2	121	122	217	264	306	310
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	61	62	65	67		
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NP08	16					
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NP6	222	224	225	227		
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APPENDIX II

PROGRAM VARIABLES - DESCRIPTION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
JSFP	Scale Factor for Minutia Pairing Distance
COUHT(2500)	Registration X, Y Histogram
DELTH	Angle between rotations in Units of 1.40625 degrees each
DDX	Minutia X, Y tolerance values for neighborhood scoring
DELX	Minutia X, Y cell size for print registration
DX	Tolerance values for minutia pairing
DPX	X offset to exactly overlay a registered search minutia with its mating file minutia
DPY	Y offset to exactly overlay a registered search minutia with its mating file minutia
ERAA	Minutia Angle tolerance for print registration
ERAB	Minutia Angle tolerance for neighboring pairing
ERAM	Minutia angle tolerance for minutia pairing
F(612)	Sorted file minutia X, Y & values
HIT(1632)	Array of mating file and search minutia
IFLAG	Switch, if = 1, then search data is ready
IXMAX	Maximum X value of file minutia set
IXMIN	Minimum X value of file minutia set
IYMAX	Maximum Y value of file minutia set
IYMIN	Minimum Y value of file minutia set
ICXF	X Coordinate of minutia pattern center for file minutia set
ICYF	Y Coordinate of minutia pattern center for file minutia set
IAHS	Maximum value of registration histogram
ISCORS	Match score for a given registration histogram maximum
ISCOR	Final match score (maximum of ISCORS values)

APPENDIX II (CONTINUED)

PROGRAM VARIABLES - DESCRIPTION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PROGRAM VARIABLES - DESCRIPTION</u>
ASFP	0.75 Scale Factor for Minutia Pairing Distance
COUNT(2500)	File containing X, Y Histogram
DELTH	Angle between rotations in Units of 1.40625 degrees each
DOX	Minutia X, Y tolerance values for neighborhood scoring
DX	Minutia X, Y cell size for print registration, tolerance values for minutia pairing
DPX	X offset to exactly overlay a registered search minutia with its mating file minutia
DPY	Y offset to exactly overlay a registered search minutia with its mating file minutia
ERAA	Minutia Angle tolerance for print registration
ERAB	Minutia Angle Tolerance for Neighboring Pairing
ERAM	Minutia angle tolerance for minutia pairing
F(812)	Sorted file minutia X, Y & values
HIT(1632)	Array of mating file and search minutia
IFLAG	Switch, if = 1, their search data is ready
IXMAX	Maximum X values file minutia set
IXMIN	Minimum X values file minutia set
IYMAX	Maximum Y values file minutia set
IYMIN	Minimum Y values file minutia set
ICXF	X Coordinate of minutia pattern center for file minutia set
ICYF	Y Coordinate of minutia pattern center for file minutia set
IANS	Maximum value of registration histogram
ISCORS	Match score for a given registration histogram maximum
ISCOR	Find match score (maximum of ISCORS values)

APPENDIX II (CONTINUED)

PROGRAM VARIABLES - DESCRIPTION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
ISTAB	Array Containing Score Table
IJ	Pointer to PA array for best set of rotated search minutia
*IEOT	Early out threshold
IETP	Distance Tolerance for minutia pairing
ITSX	Scaled Variance of Matching-Neighboring Minutia
ISCTVR(500)	Score Table
ISCORY	Individual Minutia Score
JXMIN	X Coordinate of Lower Left Corner of File Minutia Pattern
JYMIN	Y Coordinate of Lower Left Corner of File Minutia Pattern
JSCOR	Number of matching neighbors for a particular search minutia
KF(700)	Array of file minutia that are mated with search minutia
LX	1/2 width of effective file minutia pattern area
LY	1/2 height of effective file minutia pattern area
LAMIN	Maximum angle bias for search minutia angles
MHIT(48)	Array of file minutia mating with neighbors of a given search minutia
MMAX	Number of maximums in registration histograms
MB4	Number of neighbors to use times 4
NF	Number of file minutia
NMAX(5)	Array of best rotation for registration
NAT	Number of search print rotations to use
NF3	3 Times the number of file minutia
NRIV	Number of neighbors to use for neighborhood scoring
NP	Number of search minutia

"IX II" (CONTINUED)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PROC. / VARIABLES + DESCRIPTION</u>
NBR(2040)	Neighbor array
MX	Count array size in X (number of cells to use in count array in X direction)
NY	Number of matching neighbors
NY	Count array size in Y (number of cells to use in count array in Y direction)
NP8	Number of search minutia times 8
MXMAX	Maximum number of count array cells in X direction
NYMIN	Maximum number of count array cells in Y direction
P(612)	Unsorted search minutia
PA(2040)	Rotated search minutia X, Y values
PAA(204)	Search minutia angle values
R40STB	Disk file containing score table
S(612)	Sorted Search Minutia
SS(612)	Sorted, Centered, Search Minutia
XOF	X offset to overlay search minutia on file minutia for registration histogram maximum
YOF	Y offset to overlay search minutia on file minutia for registration histogram maximum

1. A method employing a programmed computer for comparing the minutiae of a search fingerprint (the "search minutiae") with the minutiae of a file fingerprint (the "file minutiae") to determine if the search fingerprint closely resembles the file fingerprint comprising:
 - (a) rotating and translating the search minutiae to determine the rotation and translation which most nearly brings the search minutiae into registration with the file minutiae;
 - (b) pairing mating search and file minutiae;
 - (c) computing an individual minutia score for each search minutia that has a mating file minutia based on the spatial and angular relationship between the other mating file and search minutiae located within a neighborhood of each such search minutia; and
 - (d) summing the individual minutia scores to obtain a final match score indicative of the overall resemblance of the search fingerprint to the file fingerprint.
2. The method described in Claim 1 and further comprising:
 - (a) sorting the search minutiae into angle order;
 - (b) finding the closest neighbors for each search minutia;
 - (c) sorting the file minutiae into angle order; and
 - (d) computing maximum and minimum coordinates for the file minutia.
3. The method described in Claim 1 or 2 and further comprising terminating the comparison between the minutiae of a search fingerprint and the minutiae of a file fingerprint whenever the degree of registration of the search minutiae with the file minutiae fails to exceed an operator selected threshold.

4. A method employing a programmed computer for comparing the minutiae of a search fingerprint (the "search minutiae") with the minutiae of a file fingerprint (the "file minutiae") to determine if the search fingerprint closely resembles the file fingerprint comprising the following steps in the order named:
 - (a) sorting and translating the search minutiae to determine rotation and translation which most nearly brings search minutiae into registration with the file minutiae;
 - (b) pairing mating search and file minutiae;
 - (c) computing an individual minutia score for each search minutia that has a mating file minutia based on the spatial and angular relationship between the other mating file and search minutiae located within a neighborhood of each search minutia; and
 - (d) summing the individual minutia scores to obtain a final match score indicative of the overall resemblance of the search fingerprint to the file fingerprint.
5. The method described in Claim 4 and further comprising the following steps in the order named, and performed prior to the first step described in Claim 1:
 - (a) sorting the search minutiae into angle order;
 - (b) finding the closest neighbors for each search minutia;
 - (c) sorting the file minutiae into angle order; and
 - (d) computing maximum and minimum coordinates for the file minutiae.
6. The method described in Claim 4 and further comprising the following step performed between steps (b) and (c) of Claim 4: terminating the comparison between the minutiae of a search fingerprint and the minutiae of a file fingerprint whenever the degree of registration of the search minutiae with the file minutiae fails to exceed an operator selected threshold.

7. The method described in Claim 5 or 6 wherein the step of rotating and translating the search minutiae to determine the rotation and translation which most nearly brings the search minutiae into registration with the file minutiae comprises:
 - (a) rotating the search minutiae through a preselected set of rotations;
 - (b) for each rotated set of search minutia constructing a histogram showing the number of coincident search and file minutiae for various translations of the search minutiae relative to the file minutiae; and
 - (c) determining the rotation and translation to which most nearly brings the search minutia into registration with the file minutiae by comparing the magnitudes of the largest adjacent blocks of entires in each of the histograms.

8. A device for comparing the minutiae of a search fingerprint (the "search minutiae") with the minutiae of a file fingerprint (the "file minutiae") to determine if the search fingerprint closely resembles the file fingerprint comprising:

- (a) rotating and translating means for rotating and translating the search minutiae to determine the rotation and translation which most nearly brings the search minutiae into registration with the file minutiae;
- (b) pairing means for pairing mating rotated and translated search and file minutiae;
- (c) scoring means for computing an individual minutia score for each search minutia that has a mating file minutia based on the spatial and angular relationship between the other mating file and search minutiae located within a neighborhood of each such search minutia; and
- (d) summing means for summing the individual minutia scores to obtain a final match score indicative of the overall resemblance of the search fingerprint to the file fingerprint.

9. The device described in Claim 8 and further comprising:

- (a) first sorting means for sorting the search minutiae into angle order;
- (b) finding means for finding the closest neighbors for each search minutia;
- (c) second sorting means for sorting the file minutiae into angle order; and
- (d) coordinate means for computing maximum and minimum coordinates for the file minutia.

10. The device described in Claim 8 or 9 and further comprising terminating means for terminating the comparison between the minutiae of a search fingerprint and the minutiae of a file fingerprint whenever the degree of registration of the search minutiae with the file minutiae fails to exceed an operator selected threshold.
11. The device described in Claim 8 or 9 wherein the rotating and translating means for rotating and translating the search minutiae to determine the rotation and translation which most nearly brings the search minutiae into registration with the file minutiae comprises:
 - (a) rotating means for rotating the search minutiae through a preselected set of rotations;
 - (b) for each rotated set of search minutiae constructing means for constructing a histogram showing the number of coincident search and file minutiae for various translations of the search minutiae relative to the file minutiae; and
 - (c) determining means for determining the rotation and translation which most nearly brings the search minutiae into registration with the file minutiae by comparing the magnitudes of the largest adjacent blocks of entries in each of the histograms.

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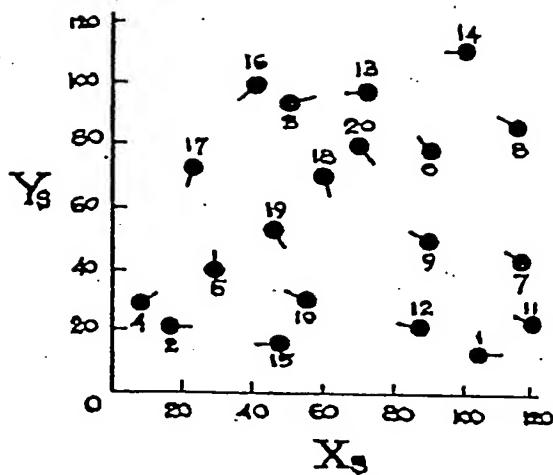


FIG. 1A

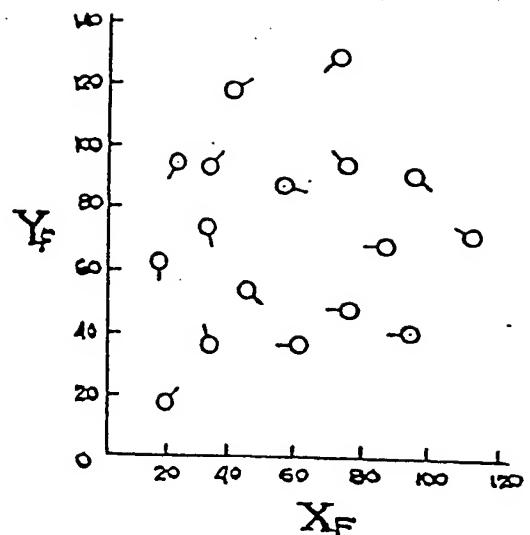


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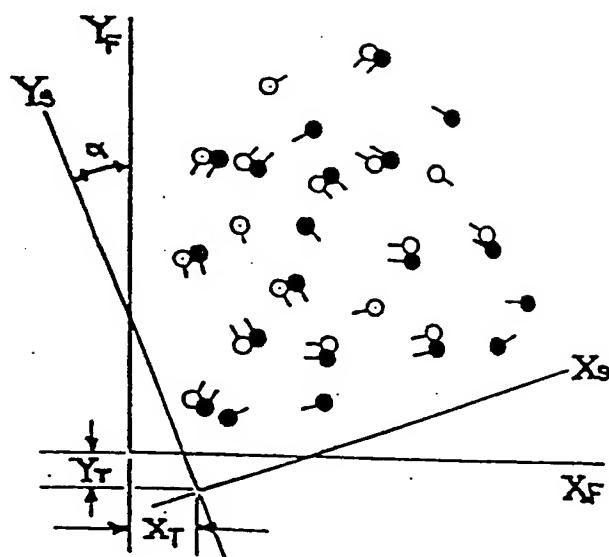
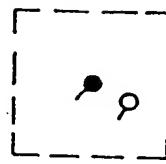
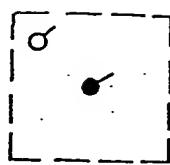


FIG. 1C SEARCH MINUTIA SUPERIMPOSED ON FILE MINUTIA

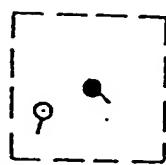
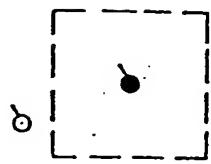
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MATING MINUTIA PAIRS

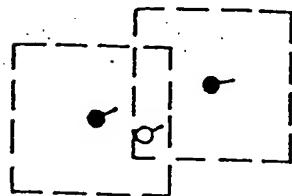
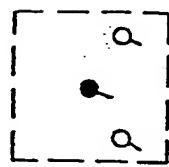
FIG. 2A



NON-MATING MINUTIA PAIRS

(ANGLE DIFFERENCE
TOO LARGE)

FIG. 2B



MULTIPLE MATING
POSSIBILITIES

FIG. 2C

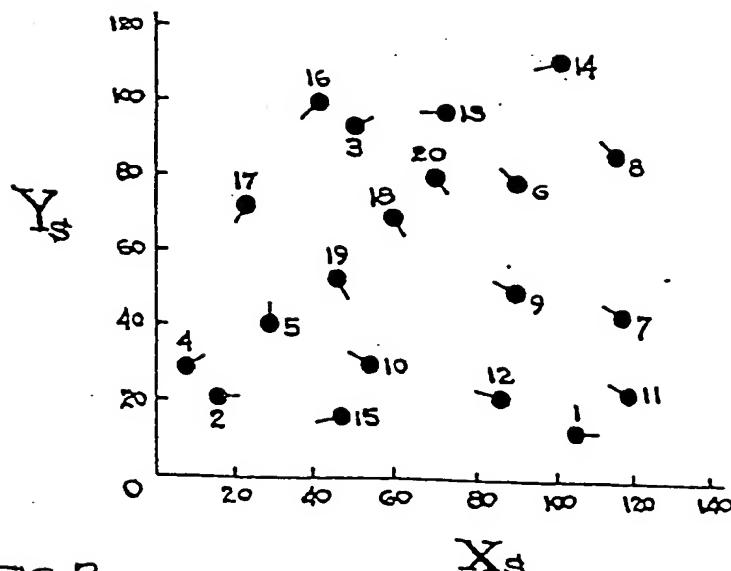
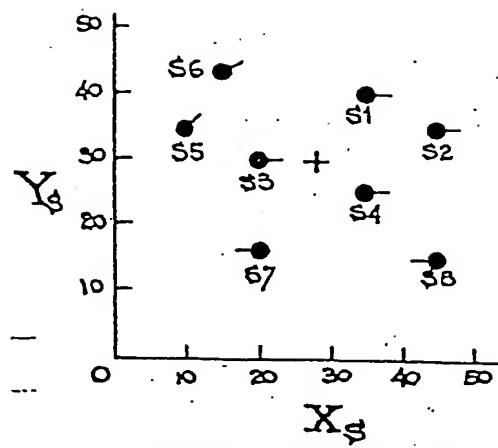


FIG. 3

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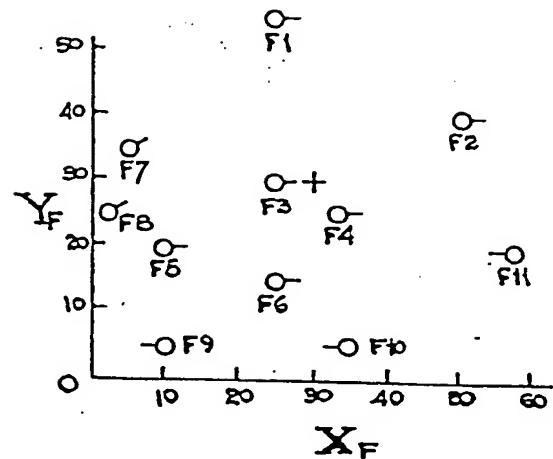


SEARCH MINUTIA PATTERN
TRANSLATION EQUATIONS:

$$\Delta X = X_S - X_F + 2$$

$$\Delta Y = Y_S - Y_F$$

FIG. 4A



FILE PRINT MINUTIA PATTERN

FIG. 4B

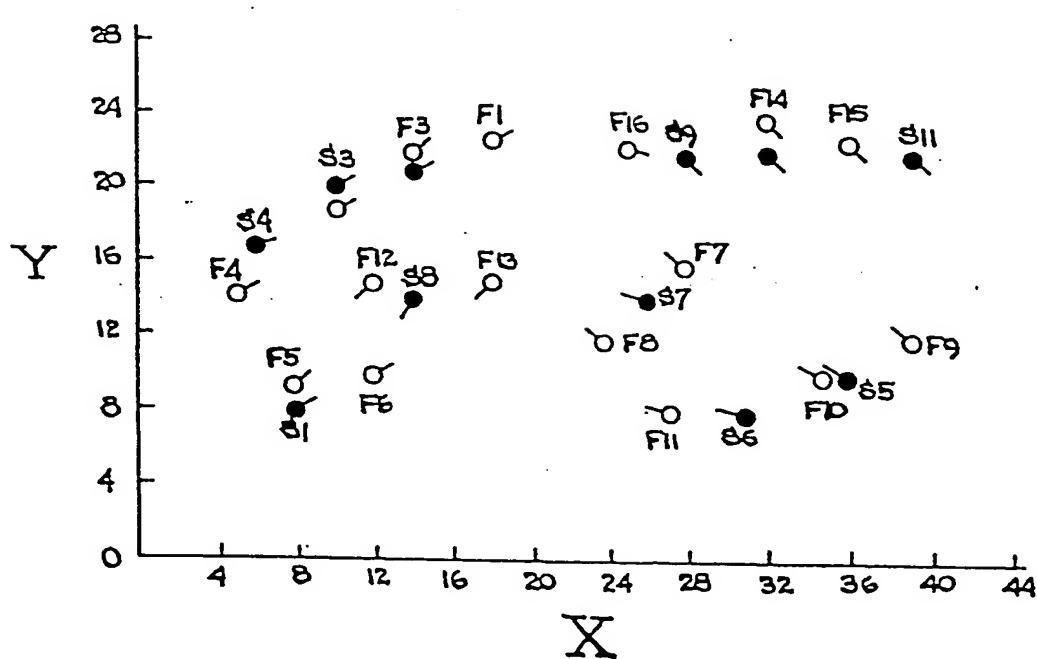


FIG. 7

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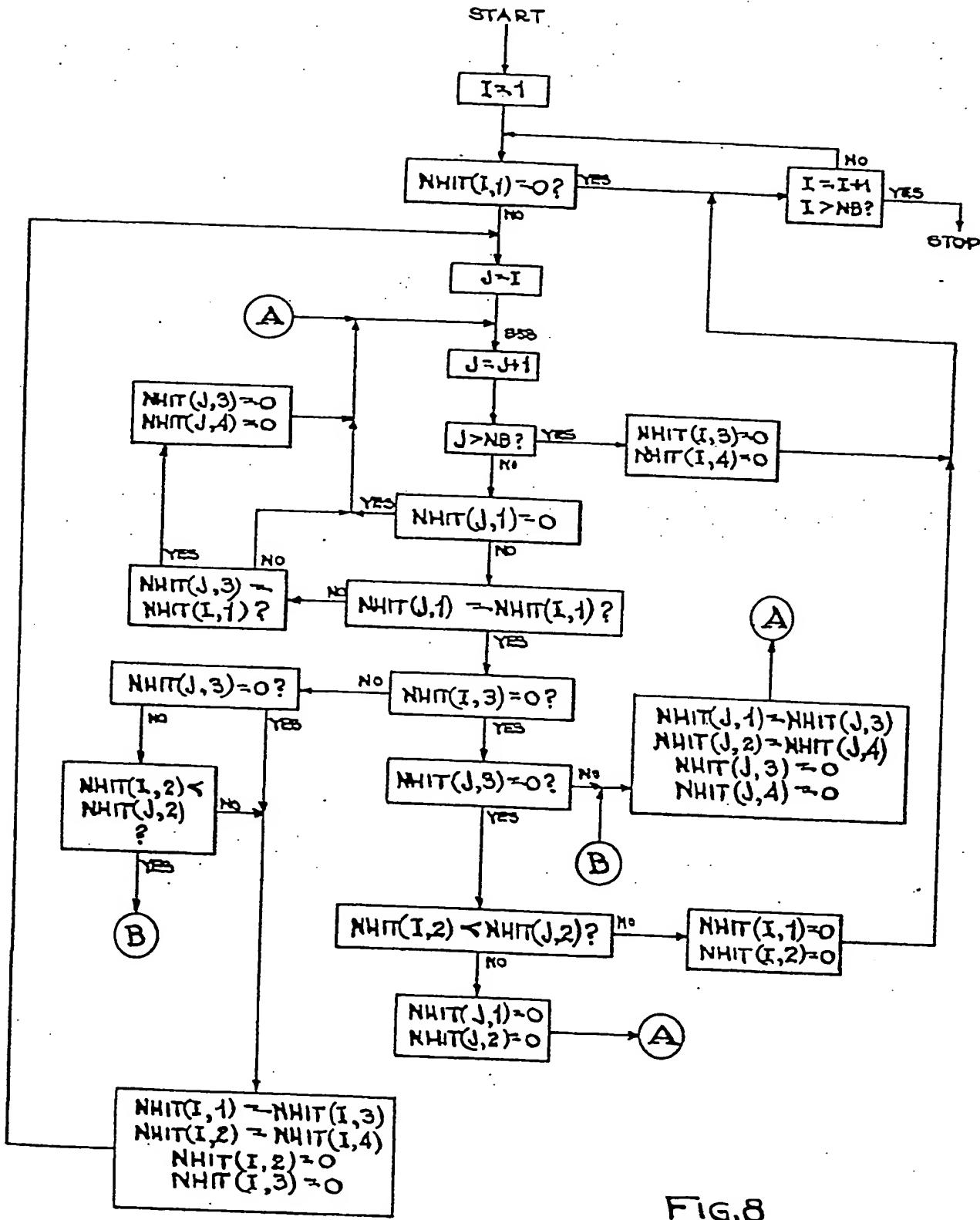


FIG.8

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